

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-20 remain in this application. Claim 16 has been amended. No Claims have been canceled. No new claims have been added.

In response to the Examiner's statements that the Information Disclosure Statement filed 12/10/12004 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.98 (a)(2), requiring a legible copy of cited non-patent literature publication (Optics letters article March 1999), Applicants are herewith simultaneously transmitting a subsequent IDS with a legible copy of the above-cited article to rectify all objections.

Applicants note that the Examiner stated Claims 1-15 and 17-20 are allowed.

Claims 16 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Tew et al (U.S. 2002/0081070).

Tew does not describe nor suggest ... wherein each mirror has at least one landing electrode having a same potential as said mirror ... as described in Applicants' newly amended dependent Claim 16.

Applicants' Claim 16, amended to depend from allowed Claim 1, is, hence, and for reasons of record discussed in conjunction with Applicants' base Claim 1, patentably distinct over the Tew reference under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) and as such, the rejection should be removed.

Accordingly, Applicants contend that newly amended Claim 16 is allowable and respectfully request a prompt Notice of Allowance of Claims 1-20.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that no extension of time is necessary to make this Reply timely. Should Applicants be in error, Applicants respectfully request that the Office grant such time extension pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) as necessary to make this Reply timely, and hereby authorizes the Office to charge any necessary fee or surcharge with respect to said time extension to the deposit account of the undersigned firm of attorneys, Deposit Account 03-3325.

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Respectfully submitted,



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